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	10	e.	drawing MALDI matrix through the tip and over the retained affinity
	11		reagent with bound component, thereby eluting the component from the
~ h	12		tip,
$\mathcal{J}^{\partial}$	13	f.	depositing the eluted component and MALDI matrix directly onto a mass
<b>O</b> \	14		spectrometer probe tip,
	15	g.	inserting the mass spectrometer probe tip into a mass spectrometer,
	16		thereby enabling laser desorption/ionization of the component, and
	17	h.	performing mass spectrometric analysis on the eluted component.

## **REMARKS**

## Claim Status

Claims 31, 33, 40 and 41 are pending. Claims 31, 33, 40 and 41 have been canceled above. New claims 48-69 have been added. Therefore, claims 48-69 are now pending.

Respectfully submitted,

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